

Oxford Leisure Partnership Board Zoom meeting Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> June 2022 12.15pm		
Wednesday 21 Julie 20	Initials:	Project Role
Oxford City Council:		
Ian Brooke	IB	Head of Community Services
Cllr Steve Goddard	CLW	Shadow Board Member
Lucy Cherry	LC	Leisure and Performance Manager
Jasmin Carne	JC	Communities Support Officer
Fusion Lifestyle:		
Graham Ashby	GA	Fusion Oxford Contract Manager
Representatives:		
Nicola Brown	NB	City of Oxford Swimming Club
Philippa Muir	PM	Hinksey User Group Representative
Suzanne Jeffery	SJ	British Ice Skating Association – Ice Rink Representative
Apologies for absence:	Cllr Chewe Munkonge – Deputy Leader, and Board Member for Leisure & Parks Stephen Gabriel - Executive Director for Communities and People James Morbin – Leys Pools and Leisure Centre Representative Tayyaba Hameed - Community Stakeholder Representative Greig Box-Turnbull - Oxford City Stars Ice Hockey Ruth James - Ferry Leisure Centre User Group Representative Gregg Holland - Fusion Regional Business Manager Shem Hunter & Kaya Solomon – Young People Representatives Margaret Simpson - Older Persons Representative	

## **Oxford City Council update**

OCC are focussing on resident support via the Locality Hubs and maintaining service delivery.

#### Key notes:

- Decarbonisation programme 95% completed
- Hinksey –mobile hand operated pool cover/substation/coil work
- Further energy feasibility assessments taking place across leisure centres to identify further efficiencies
- Focus on inclusive access and reducing inequalities
- Budget targets/efficiency meetings taking place across the council
- Ukrainian community support including leisure bonus concessions
- Thriving Communities Strategy in draft with conversations happening across the city to help shape

## Fusion's Annual service plan: Looking ahead:

Fusion's annual service plan for April 2022-April 2023 will be designed in partnership with OCC. This is likely to be a broader and simplified plan for 2022/23 due to capacity challenges for Fusion at the current time.

#### Key additional focus area:

- A 2 year plan, which will be reviewed at the end of the 2022/23, to help shape and inform the 2023/24 plan
- Re-establish usage numbers/data & growth
- Fusions Plan to link in with OCC & partners to tackle health inequalities
- Recruited to an Oxford Sports and Community development officer post
- Review of Key Performance Indicators
- Fusion to focus also on encouraging disadvantaged and underrepresented groups to use the facilities
- Fusion working with members & key partners Public Health/CCG/Adult Social Care/ Patient Care network to create a steering group to address:



- 1. Barriers
- 2. Engagement
- 3. Fees and charges
- Digital access/inclusion workshops taking place to identify user access barriers
- Marketing review including attendance at the Oxfordshire Digital Inclusion workshop
- IT equipment & training plan
- Website and App upgrades/reviews
- To update Accessibility Access review and date on the website
- Suggestion to produce 'Inclusive Activities' leaflet for member door knocking

## **Fusion Update**

Key site updates:

**Oxford Ice Rink: -** Staffing issues preventing additional bookings. No hot water and only 1 compressor operating. Concerns around lack of lighting and access for those with equipment.

**Hinksey heated Outdoor Pool:** Pool liner crack – repaired. Leaks to tanks and a lack of lifeguards. Some customer issues with season pass refunds while senior staff are away. Child free swims well attended – need to look at broadening opening times

**Leys Pool & Leisure Centre:** Concerns raised - inactive pool screen operation. New manager appointed – Richard Monger

Barton Pool: Stable staffing.

Ferry Leisure Centre: Stable staffing with ongoing recruitment

#### Recruitment:

- Bench marking completed for pay levels to increase applications to fill vacancies
- Work is taking place to link in with colleges and other relevant stakeholders to support recruitment into posts
- OCC is continuing to support Fusion through their internal processes and network partners.

### **Leisure Decarbonisation Schemes**

- Good progress being made at all sites
- Training provided for Fusion staff for new machinery operation/maintenance
- BBL, Ferry & Leys are all on track

## Thriving Communities Strategy:

- A strategy approach to meet broader needs and outcomes
- Vision to maximise the role that leisure facilities, a wider offers, play in reducing inequalities in the city
- Building on relationships to help better integrate public health and other such partners.
- Focused and city-wide conversations will be taking place (July to September 2022)
- Health reporting and Council Cross Party member groups created.
- Consider opportunities in the strategy that may link in with Ageing Friendly Cities approach

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